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- Descriptive title of the invention  
- Cross Reference to Related Applications  
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D  
- Reference to Microfiche Appendix  
- Background of the invention  
- Brief Summary of the invention  
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)  
- Detailed Description  
- Claim(s)  
- Abstract of the Disclosure
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets 7]
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Signed statement attached deleting  
inventor(s) named in the prior application,  
see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 4b is checked)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a  
copy of the oath of declaration is supplied under Box 4b,  
is considered as being part of the disclosure of the  
accompanying application and is hereby incorporated  
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6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)  
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(when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
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Statement (IDS)/PTO-1448 ☐ Copies of IDS  
Citations
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April 19, 2001

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application, including seven (7) sheet(s) of drawing,  
of inventor(s): David H. Miller et al.

for: Code-Programmable Field-Programmable Architecturally-Systolic Reed-Solomon BCH Error  
Correction Decoder Integrated Circuit and Error Correction Decoding Method

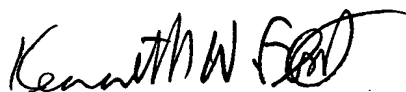
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In re Application of: David H. Miller et al. : Date: April 19, 2001  
Serial No. : Group Art Unit:  
Filed: : Examiner:  
For: Code-Programmable Field-Programmable : Batch No.:  
Architecturally-Systolic Reed-Solomon BCH Error  
Correction Decoder Integrated Circuit and Error  
Correction Decoding Method

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